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Office Action Summary

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NOAILLES ET AL.

Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 04 April 2002.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

PCT International search report in itself is not considered as a prior art. Applicant is advised to cite references from PCT into a separate PTO-1449 form.

Claim Objections

Claims 1, 5, are objected to because of the following informalities: the phrase "the step" at lines 4, 6 need to be avoided to prevent redundancy. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

Claims 1-12, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

In claim 1, the phrase "and then throw away" at line 2 is unclear.

In claim 1, the step of transmitting is unclear because it appears that not only transmission is taking place at lines 6-11.

The phrase "the said process" is redundant. Either applicant choose the word "the" or "said" but not both at the same time. See lines 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, for occurrences of the phrase "the said".

Also in claims 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 the word "the" or "said" should not be used at the same time.

Claim 1 recites the limitation "the user (5)" in line 2. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

In claim 5, the phrase "and throw away" at line 3 is unclear.

Claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-12 are also rejected for incorporating the deficiencies of their base claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1, 5, 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sprague et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,247,575).

As to claims 1, 5, 9, Sprague et al. disclose a process, system and Internet type communication network for distributing information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form that the user can handle; the process being characterised in that it comprises the following steps: the step in which information contained in the database is broken down into units each comprising a predetermined number of symbols, (mail services, weather, navigation information are considered as units with symbols; see col. 4, lines 8-12) (See col. 1, lines 38-68; col. 2, lines 1-38) the step of transmitting the units, particularly through a server and a computer communication

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network and/or through a medium on which the information is saved, for example such as a compact disk , to computer equipment connected to a printer; the user activates the computer equipment and the printer by using control devices such as a keyboard (38) as shown in Fig.2 and/or a mouse with computer to activate optional menus; such that the user can access the units on line, can select those containing the information in which he is interested, control printing of these units on a printable medium using a printer, particularly on one or several sheets of paper,(See col. 5, lines 1-41; col. 6, lines 67-68-col.7, lines 1-3) the process also comprising a step to load (particularly using a compact disk (See col. 5, lines 1-8) ,or download (particularly through the computer communication network software printing means capable of controlling a printer to print (retrieve) a memo (See col. 15, lines 1-22) . Sprague et al. does not specifically disclose that the memo is in the form of a four-page booklet. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have a memo in a booklet or different sheets of pages to form a booklet.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-4, 6-8, 10-12 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The limitation cited in claims 2, 6, 10 is not taught by the prior art. The limitation is as follow: the software printing means use a printing process including the step in which

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each unit is printed on the front of a sheet by breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frame numbers from 1 to 4 following the order of the pages of the booklet, by laying out the four frames on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet, and frames 2 and 4 are located on the other diagonal, by rotating frame numbers 2 and 3 by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4, such that the user will have a four-page booklet after folding.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Thakur et al. (U.S. Pub 20020194969)

Weber (U.S. Pat 6,122,620)

Billings (U.S. Pat 5,684,956)

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gertrude Arthur-Jeanglaude whose telephone number is (571) 272-6954. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wiley David can be reached on (571) 272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.


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